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SUBJECT: U.S. TECHNICAL TEAM VISIT

REF: TAIPEI 4318

1. DURING PRE-VISIT MEETING JULY 11, TEAM REVIEWED
SCHEDULE FOR VISIT SET FORTH IN REFTEL. TEAM COMMENDS
EMBASSY'S PREPARATIONS AND CONCURS IN PROPOSED SCHEDULE
WITH FOLLOWING COMMENTS:

2. MONDAY, JULY 24

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TEAM APPRECIATES AND ACCEPTS AMBASSADOR'S OFFER TO HOST
SOCIAL EVENT FOR TEAM AND ITS CHINESE HOSTS AND CONCURS
IN SUGGESTION THAT MOST APPROPRIATE OCCASION WOULD BE A
LUNCH ON MONDAY. TEAM WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY BRIEF
COURTESY CALL ON PRESIDENTIAL MILITARY ADVISOR FENG, IF
EMBASSY IS CONVINCED THIS IS DESIRABLE. IF CALL IS TO
BE MADE, WE BELIEVE THAT IT SHOULD NOT/NOT BE TEAM'S FIRST

OFFICIAL CALL AND THAT IT SHOULD BE ARRANGED IN AS LOW-KEY A MANNER AS POSSIBLE.

3. TUESDAY, JULY 25

PLEASE EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO USACC FOR USE OF THEIR HELICOPTER, WEATHER PERMITTING, ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY. WE CONCUR IN YOUR ALLOCATION OF ONLY ONE HOUR FOR BRIEF WORKING LUNCHEES ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY AT CIST/INER, AS WE DO NOT WISH TO CONSUME PRECIOUS TIME IN SOCIAL LUNCHEES. WE HOPE CIST/INER WILL ARRANGE WORKING LUNCH AT THEIR FACILITIES AS WAS CASE IN JANUARY 1977, AND EMBASSY SHOULD EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS TO DO THIS. WE ACCEPT YOUR SUGGESTION ABOUT NOT TRAVELLING ACROSS TOWN DURING EVENING RUSH HOUR AND WILL PLAN TO HAVE OUR DAILY REVIEW SESSION AT EMBASSY AFTER DINNER.

4. WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

WE LIKE EMBASSY'S DEFINITION OF THE FACILITIES AT CIST WHICH TEAM WILL WISH TO SEE AS THOSE "RELATED TO NUCLEAR RESEARCH OR USED BY INER PERSONNEL, AND ASSUME YOU WILL BE EXPRESSING TEAM'S WISHES TO CIST IN THESE TERMS. ON WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY, TEAM WISHES TO PLAN ON DEPARTING INER NO EARLIER THAN 1700 HRS.

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5. THURSDAY, JULY 27

TEAM HAS REVIEWED ISSUE AND REAFFIRMED ITS INTENTION NOT TO MENTION ITS INTEREST IN VISITING CHINA PHOSPHATE URANIUM EXTRACTION SITE TO ROC HOSTS UNTIL TUESDAY, JULY 25. TWO TEAM MEMBERS, HELFRICH AND KAVANAUGH, WISH TO VISIT TAIPOWER'S MAANSHAN PLANT SITE. EMBASSY SHOULD REQUEST ARRANGEMENTS WITH TAIPOWER AND BOOK PLANE RESERVATIONS FOR THESE TWO TO AND FROM KAOHSIUNG ONLY. EMBASSY SHOULD BOOK RESERVATIONS FOR OTHER FIVE TEAM MEMBERS AND EMBASSY ESCORT ON TAIPEI, KAOHSIUNG, ORCHID ISLAND, KAOHSIUNG, TAIPEI FLIGHT. TEAM APPRECIATES AMBASSADOR'S WILLINGNESS TO ACCOMPANY IT TO ORCHID ISLAND BUT DOES NOT BELIEVE ITS OBJECTIVES REQUIRE AMBASSADOR TO MAKE TRIP. FYI: TEAM MEMBERS WYMER AND MENZEL, ACCOMPANIED BY EMBASSY ESCORT OFFICER, WILL MAKE THE VISIT TO CHINA PHOSPHATE SITE. END FYI. TEAM HOPES THAT VISITS TO MAANSHAN AND CHINA PHOSPHATES WILL END EARLY ENOUGH FOR WHOLE GROUP TO RETURN TOGETHER FROM KAOHSIUNG ABOARD FAR EAST AIR TRANSPORT FLIGHT, RATHER THAN ON LATER CAL FLIGHT.

6. FRIDAY, JULY 28 AND SATURDAY, JULY 29

TEAM APPRECIATES OFFER BUT DOES NOT WISH EMBASSY TO HOST A FINAL "WRAP-UP DINNER" FOR TEAM AND ROC HOSTS.

7. DISCUSSIONS WITH ROC: EMBASSY SHOULD FINALIZE ARRANGEMENTS ALONG ABOVE LINES AND SHOULD GIVE ROC AGENCIES LIST OF TEAM MEMBERS (BELOW). EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO REQUEST INER TO PROVIDE TO EMBASSY PRIOR TO TEAM'S ARRIVAL AN UPDATED SITE PLAN OF INER COMPOUND WHICH IDENTIFIES EACH BUILDING AND FACILITY. (IF ASKED, YOU SHOULD STATE THAT TEAM HAS NOT/RPT NOT ASKED FOR FLOOR PLANS OF INDIVIDUAL BUILDINGS AS IT DID PRIOR TO
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JANUARY 1977 VISIT.) EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO REVIEW WITH MOFA THE CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE (SEE BELOW).

8. MEMBERS: THE FOLLOWING ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE TEAM:

-----GERARD F. HELFRICH, TEAM LEADER, DIRECTOR, SPECIAL PROJECTS OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS, DOE;

-----DAVID G. BROWN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF REPUBLIC OF CHINA AFFAIRS, STATE;

-----JOSEPH E. HAYES, STAFF MEMBER, OFFICE OF STRATEGIC AFFAIRS, STATE;

-----T. MURRAY KAVANAUGH, GROUP LEADER, OFFICE OF SPECIAL PROJECTS, LAWRENCE LIVERMORE LABORATORIES;

-----RICHARD A. LEWIS, STAFF MEMBER, OFFICE OF NUCLEAR AND ENERGY TECHNOLOGY, OES, STATE;

-----JOERG H. MENZEL, CHIEF, NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS STAFF, NON-PROLIFERATION BUREAU, ACDA;

-----RAYMOND G. WYMER, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY DIVISION, OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY;

-----ESCORT OFFICER ASSIGNED BY EMBASSY.

9. TEAM MEMBERS TRAVEL PLANS TO AND FROM TAIPEI ARE AS FOLLOWS:

-----HELFRICH: ARRIVES JAPAN ASIA AIRLINES 203
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JULY 22; DEPARTURE OPEN; (PROBABLY ON JULY 31)

-----BROWN: ARRIVES PANAM 841 JULY 23; DEPARTS CATHAY
PACIFIC 450 JULY 31;

-----HAYES: ARRIVES JAPAN ASIA AIRLINES 203 JULY 23;
DEPARTS THAI INTERNATIONAL 632 JULY 20;

-----KAVANAUGH: ARRIVES PANAM 841 JULY 23; DEPARTS
THAI INTERNATIONAL 632 JULY 30;

-----LEWIS: ARRIVES PANAM 841 JULY 23; DEPARTS PANAM
842 JULY 30;

-----MENZEL: ARRIVES JAPAN ASIA AIRLINES 203 JULY 17;
DEPARTS CATHAY PACIFIC 450 JULY 31;

-----WYMER: SEE SEPTEL.

TEAM MEMBERS WOULD APPRECIATE BEING MET ON ARRIVAL.

10. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY TRYING AGAIN TO OBTAIN
RESERVATIONS FOR WHOLE TEAM AT GRAND HOTEL. IF GRAND
NOT AVAILABLE, PRESIDENT IS SECOND CHOICE. PLEASE MAKE
RESERVATIONS NEEDED TO COVER THE SCHEDULES IN PARA 9.

11. PRESS GUIDANCE: WE CONCUR IN CONTINGENCY DESCRIPTION
OF TEAM VISIT (PARA SIX REFTEL) TO BE USED ON "IF ASKED"
BASIS WITH PRESS. IF PRESSED EMBASSY ALSO MAY PROVIDE
NAME OF TEAM LEADER.

12. WYMER WILL BE BRINGING SEVEN FILM BADGES AND TWO
SMALL RADIATION MONITORS IN HIS BAGGAGE TO TAIWAN. NO
PROBLEMS WERE ENCOUNTERED BRINGING SIMILAR ITEMS THROUGH
CUSTOMS IN JANUARY 1977. INR HAS ALSO POUCHED VARIOUS
BRIEFING MATERIALS TO TAIPEI FOR DAVID BROWN C/O AMERICAN

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